

**IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE**

In re application of: Alexander et al.

Application No.: 09/882,363

Group No.: 3736

Filed: June 15, 2001

Examiner: Foreman, Jonathan M.

For: Assessing the Condition of a Joint and Preventing Damage

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**REQUEST FOR CONTINUED EXAMINATION (RCE)  
(37 C.F.R. § 1.114)**

1. Applicant hereby requests continued examination, in accordance with 37 C.F.R. § 1.114, for the above identified application.

**TIME REQUEST IS BEING MADE**

2. This request is being submitted:

Prior to abandonment of the application

**ENCLOSURES**

3. Enclosed herewith are:

An information disclosure (37 C.F.R. § 1.98)  
Form PTO-1449 (PTO/SB/08A and 08B)  
An amendment

**FEE FOR REQUEST (37 C.F.R. § 1.17(e)).**

4. This application is on behalf of other than small entity.

Continued Prosecution Request Fee: 810.00

**FEE FOR CLAIMS**

5. The fee for claims (37 C.F.R. § 1.16(b)-(d)) has been calculated as shown below:

	(Col. 1)	(Col. 2)	(Col. 3)	OTHER THAN A SMALL ENTITY		
	CLAIMS REMAINING AFTER AMENDMENT	HIGHEST NO. PREVIOUSLY PAID FOR	PRESENT EXTRA	RATE	ADDIT. FEE	
TOTAL	45	—	48 = 0	x \$ 52.00	= \$	0.00
INDEP.	2	—	7 = 0	x \$ 220.00	= \$	0.00
FIRST PRESENTATION OF MULTIPLE DEP. CLAIM				+ \$ 390.00	= \$	0.00
TOTAL ADDIT. FEE					\$	0.00

No additional fee for claims is required.

#### EXTENSION OF TIME

6. The proceedings herein are for a patent application, and the provisions of 37 C.F.R. § 1.136(a) apply.

Applicant petitions for an extension of time, the fees for which are set out in 37 C.F.R. § 1.17(a)(1)-(4), for three months:

Fee: \$1,110.00

#### TOTAL FEE(S) DUE

7. The total fee(s) due is/are:

Continued Prosecution Fee (Section 1.17(e))	\$810.00
Fee(s) for additional claims (Section 1.16(b)-(d))	\$0.00
Extension of time fee (Section 1.17(a)(1)-(4))	\$1,110.00
Total Fee(s) Due:	\$1,920.00

#### PAYMENT OF FEE(S) DUE

8. Please pay the fee(s) for this continued examination application as follows:

Charge Account 19-4972 the sum of \$1,920.00.

Please charge any required additional fee(s) for § 1.17(e), § 1.16(b)-(d) and/or § 1.17(a)(1)-(4) to Account 19-4972.

## INVENTORSHIP

9. This application as amended names as inventors the same inventors as previously designated for the claims.

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